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Re: Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, D.T.E. 04-48

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and nine (9) copies of the Reply Brief of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company in the above-captioned proceeding.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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I certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the Department of Telecommunications and Energy and parties of record in accordance with the requirements of 220 C.M.R. 1.05 (Department's Rules of Practice and Procedures).

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